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SUBJECT: PIPELINE INSTALLATION ACROSS USG LEASED LAND,
GEORGETOWN, EXUMA ISLAND, BAHAMAS

REFERENCE: A) NASSAU 0266, B) NASSAU 0267

1. DEPT. AND DOD APPROVE THE INSTALLATION OF THE UNDER-
GROUND FUEL PIPELINE ACROSS USG LEASED LAND AND THE
CONNECTION TO THE EXISTING USN FUEL DELIVERY LINE AS
REQUESTED BY REF A. ACCORDINGLY, EMBASSY IS AUTHORIZED
TO RESPOND WITH THE FOLLOWING NOTE:

QUOTE: (COMPLIMENTARY OPENING) AND HAS THE HONOR TO
REFER TO THE MINISTER'S NOTE WHICH REQUESTED APPROVAL OF
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES TO ALLOW THE BAHAMAS
ELECTRICITY CORPORATION TO INSTALL A FUEL PIPELINE

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ACROSS PROPERTY LEASED BY THE U.S. GOVERNMENT AT THE

FORMER U.S. NAVAL FACILITY, GEORGETOWN, EXUMA ISLAND,
AND TO CONNECT THIS PIPELINE INTO AN EXISTING USN FUEL
DELIVERY LINE WHICH TERMINATES ON THE SEASHORE.

IN RESPONSE TO THIS REQUEST, THE GOVERNMENT OF THE BAHAMAS
IS AUTHORIZED TO ALLOW CONSTRUCTION AND CONNECTION TO THE
FUEL PIPELINE AS REQUESTED IN THE MINISTER'S NOTE PROVIDED

THAT THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS ARE ACCEPTABLE TO THE
GOVERNMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE BAHAMAS:

(A) THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES ASSUMES NO
LIABILITY OR RESPONSIBILITY BY REASON OF GRANTING THE
GOVERNMENT OF THE BAHAMAS PERMISSION TO ALLOW THE BAHAMAS
ELECTRICITY CORPORATION TO INSTALL AND USE THE FUEL
PIPELINE ON U.S. GOVERNMENT LEASED LAND OR BY REASON OF THE
CONDITION IN WHICH THE PROPERTY MAY BE FOUND.

(B) THE GOVERNMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE BAHAMAS
SHALL HOLD THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES HARMLESS
AGAINST ANY CLAIM ARISING FROM THE INSTALLATION OF THE
PIPELINE OR ACTIVITIES RELATING TO ITS USE.

THE EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE CONFIRMATION FROM THE
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS THAT THESE CONDITIONS ARE
ACCEPTABLE TO THE GOVERNMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE
BAHAMAS. (COMPLIMENTARY CLOSE). UNQUOTE. KISSINGER

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